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News worth sharing.



JETS JUGGERNAUT

Winnipeg Jets defenceman Dustin Byfuglien, left, celebrates with centre Jim Slater after Slater's second-period goal against the Washington Capitals Tuesday. The Jets skated away with a 4-2 win, their first of the season. More coverage, page 14. ALEX BRANDON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Check him out

Human Library. Why read when you can talk? Thirty "books" available for conversation at library



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Back by popular demand, and following a one-year hiatus, is the Winnipeg Public Library's Human Library event at Millennium Library.

The Human Library, in which real people become books that can be "borrowed" for a half-hour at a time, gives readers the chance to share life experiences, listen and ask questions of "human books."

Kathleen Williams, administrative co-ordinator of community outreach and marketing for the Winnipeg Public Library, said their first Human Library event in 2011 drew 24 human books and more than 220 conversations.

"It was very successful and, in fact, the feedback we received was, 'When is the next one?'" said Williams,

adding this year's event is known as the "sequel."

"It's a really great event because you have the whole mix (of people and experiences)."

The 2013 edition of Human Library, which begins Thursday evening and runs until Saturday, has a human-rights theme and is being held in partnership with CBC and the Canadian Museum for Human Rights.

About 30 human books will be available for conversation. Topics include moving on after divorce, the refugee experience, fighting for the rights of people with disabilities and breaking down stereotypes against First Nations and people with mental illness.

Williams said the human books are all so fascinating that she has a hard time highlighting one or two, but her choices would be wheelchair rugby Paralympic-medalist Jared Funk, and Serge Kaptegaine, who fled the Congo in 2005 and made a new life for himself in Winnipeg, even though his formal Congolese education was not recognized here.

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Suspects sought

Thugs assault and rob woman in Spence area

Police are looking for two men after a woman was assaulted and robbed while walking in the Spence neighbourhood Monday evening.

Officers were called to the 500 block of Langside Street around 8:45 p.m. after two suspects confronted the middle-aged victim and robbed her of her purse.

The victim was taken to hospital in stable condition.

The first suspect is aboriginal, between 16-17 years old, five-foot-four to five-foot-five, with a skinny build. He was wearing black coloured clothing.

The second suspect is also aboriginal, 16-17 years old, shorter than the first suspect, and was wearing a black jacket and black pants.

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In custody

Winnipeg man turns himself in for assault

A suspect has turned himself in to police in connection to an assault in the North End last week that left a man fighting for life in hospital.

A 25-year-old man was found suffering serious upper body injuries at a residence in the 500 block of College Avenue Saturday.

The victim was taken to hospital in critical condition and remains in critical, but stable condition.

Shawn Patrick McDougall, 20, of Winnipeg has been charged with aggravated assault and has been detained in custody.

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No media allowed. Manitoba chiefs meet behind closed doors

Manitoba aboriginal leaders are meeting behind closed doors to discuss their next step in their battle with the federal government.

The Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs started a two-day session Tuesday in Winnipeg.

Manitoba chiefs were among those critical of the Assembly of First Nations head Shawn Atleo earlier this month, when Atleo agreed to meet with Prime Minister Stephen Harper.



Kent Road School Grade 6 students Tessa, left, and Jean stand with the cheque for \$738.65 raised by the students and given to the City of Winnipeg. The money will be used to help rebuild East Elmwood Community Centre. BERNICE PONTANILLA/METRO

Community centre to rise from the ashes

New memories.

Longtime, activity-filled club burned down in March of 2011



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New memories in a new facility is what life-long Elmwood resident and mom Jodi Chartrand said she's most looking forward to with the announcement on Tuesday that the East Elmwood Community Centre will receive \$5 million to rebuild.

Chartrand, the soccer convener for the community centre, was one of dozens of residents, teachers and stu-

dents who attended a press conference at Kent Road School where Mayor Sam Katz, Concordia MLA Matt Wiebe and Coun. Thomas Steen (Elmwood-East Kildonan) praised the community for their patience as the two levels of government sorted out the funding.

"As part of the board, we are ecstatic that this has happened, it's been almost two years since our club burnt down, our children haven't had any place to go and play, and just do things that kids normally do," said Chartrand.

"A lot of my memories were burnt up in that fire too, but it's nice that the kids will have a place for new memories and a place just to go and be kids."

Students Sierra and Jean opened Tuesday's press conference by talking about the loss to the local community and their fundraising effort, which totaled \$738.65. "I saw lots of smoke and I thought it was a huge black cloud," said Jean, in Grade 6. "I was so sad because I wondered who would do such a thing as burn down our club."

Marlene Amell, executive director of the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres, said while the plan is to finalize the design in 2013 and start construction in 2014, she hopes the shovels will be in the ground sooner.

The \$5 million in funding for the project is being split between the City of Winnipeg, the province and

the new club is expected to be about 10,000 square-feet and will likely include a regulation-size gymnasium, multi-purpose rooms, dressing rooms and an outdoor rink.

Part of the funds for the new community centre were originally set aside for a controversial water park at The Forks, however, in the recent preliminary budget, the decision was made to disperse the \$7 million between this club and projects on other centres in other wards.

Amell said she applauds this decision by Katz and councillors.

"I would say it's one of the best decisions that's been made in a long time, so yes, very much in favour of that," she added.

Clarification

Correction for Nov. 21 story

A Nov. 21 Travel section article on Disney's Magic Europe identified Ephesus as an ancient Roman city. Ephesus, located in Asia Minor, was founded by the ancient Greeks.

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Dog rescued in house fire

Firefighters had to climb through a roof window to fight a blaze that appeared to have started in the attic of this home at 262 Trent Ave. shortly before 9 a.m. Tuesday. No one was home at the time, according to neighbours, but a dog was rescued by firefighters. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Since then, the AFN has agreed to ask for a new meeting with both Harper and Johnston.

The Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs says it has no plans to update the media on the meeting.

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Reprisals feared after Prince Harry admits to Taliban killings

Media frenzy. Fevered press response reflects naiveté about the realities of war, one British colonel claims

Prince Harry's admission that he killed Taliban fighters while working as a helicopter gunner in Afghanistan drew intense British media coverage Tuesday and sparked concerns about possible reprisals.

The 28-year-old prince spoke in a pooled interview published late Monday after he was safely out of Afghanistan. He had spent the last 20 weeks deployed as a co-pilot and gunner in a heavily-armed Apache attack helicopter.

Asked if he had killed from the cockpit, the third-in-line to the British throne said, "Yeah, so, lots of people have."

The response was immediate Tuesday: The Daily Mirror tabloid ran a page-one headline, "Royal Sensation Harry: I Killed Taliban," along with a photo of a macho-looking Harry in combat gear and designer shades. Other news-



Prince Harry talks to a TV crew at Camp Bastion in southern Afghanistan on Dec. 12, 2012. Upon his recent return from a 20-week deployment in Afghanistan, the 28-year-old has created a media frenzy by admitting to killing members of the Taliban. JOHN STILLWELL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

papers ran similar gung-ho stories about the prince's military exploits. "Harry: I Have Killed" was the story in the Daily Mail.

Video shot during the prince's deployment was shown dozens of times on Britain's major news networks.

In Parliament on Tuesday, Defence Minister Mark François praised Harry, saying the prince should be commended for his bravery.

Lindsey German, leader of the Stop the War Coalition, called Harry's comments "arrogant and insensitive" and

raised the prospect that Harry might have accidentally targeted Afghan civilians.

Former officer Charles Heyman, who edits a yearbook on British forces, said the prince's words may raise the already-high threat level against him.

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Three people wounded in Texas college shooting

A fight between two people led to a shooting at a Texas community college Tuesday and sent students fleeing for safety as the campus was placed on lockdown, officials said. A maintenance man was caught in the crossfire and wounded.

One of the people involved in the fight had a student ID, and both people were wounded and hospitalized, Harris County's sheriff, Maj. Armando Tello said. A fourth person was also taken to a hospital for a medical condition, he said.

The two people involved in the fight are considered people of interest. Authorities said they weren't looking for any other

suspects, and they recovered one handgun at the scene.

The shooting that happened shortly after 12 p.m. sent students scurrying for safety on the Lone Star College System campus about 32 kilometres north of downtown Houston. Some barricaded themselves in the rooms they were in, while others fled to nearby buildings.

The shooting comes just over a month after a gunman killed 20 children and six adults at an elementary school in Connecticut, heightening security concerns at campuses across the country and fuelling a national debate about gun control. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gun control

- President Obama has proposed a package of gun-control changes that are expected to face stiff opposition from Republicans, who control the House of Representatives.
- In Texas, several school districts have implemented or are considering a plan to allow faculty to carry guns. The Texas Legislature may also debate a bill that would allow guns on college campuses.

Algerian kidnapping

Ottawa wants proof of terrorist links from envoy

The Foreign Affairs Department has called in Algeria's ambassador to Canada to get more info on why the country's prime minister labelled some of the hostage-takers in last week's gas plant siege as Canadian. A total of 38 workers and 29 militants died.

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Islamist occupation

Malian and French forces gaining ground on rebels

American planes transported French troops and equipment to Mali, a U.S. military spokesman said Tuesday, as Malian and French forces pushed into the Islamist-held north. The troops arrived in Douentza on Monday to find that the Islamists had retreated.

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Philippine shooting

Canadian killer's background still in question

Canadian John Pope opened fire in a Philippine courtroom Tuesday, killing two people and wounding a prosecutor before police fatally shot him, officials said. Philippine media reported on Pope in 2011, when he was held on charges of illegal possession of firearms. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Israel votes. Netanyahu, hard-line allies win slight majority, exit polls show

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his hard-line allies fared far worse than expected in a parliamentary election Tuesday, preliminary results showed, likely forcing him to reach across the aisle to court a popular political newcomer to cobble together a new coalition.

While Netanyahu appeared positioned to serve a third term as prime minister, the results marked a major setback for his policies and could force him to make new concessions to restart long-stalled peace talks with the Palestinians.

His most likely partner was Yesh Atid, or There is a Future, a party headed by political newcomer Yair Lapid that showed surprising strength. Lapid has said he would only join a government committed to sweeping economic changes and a resumption of peace talks with the Palestinians.

Addressing his supporters early Wednesday, Netanyahu vowed to form as broad a coalition as possible. He said the next government would be built on principles that include reforming the contentious system of granting draft



Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

exemptions to ultra-Orthodox Jewish men, and the pursuit of a "genuine peace" with the Palestinians. He did not elaborate, but the message seemed aimed at Lapid.

Shortly after the results were announced, Netanyahu called Lapid and offered to work together. "We have the opportunity to do great things together," Netanyahu was quoted as saying by Likud officials.

According to preliminary results, Netanyahu's Likud-Yisrael Beiteinu alliance was set to capture about 31 of the 120 seats, significantly fewer than the 42 it held.

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'Death video' guard tells inquest of stress

Ashley Smith. Guard testifies about job woes, getting arrested after death of teen at Ontario prison

A prison guard testified Tuesday about the shock he felt at finding himself at a police station under arrest, stripped of his shoes and facing charges in the death of a teenaged inmate

whose death throes he had videotaped.

At the inquest into the death of Ashley Smith, Rudy Burnett said he felt as if he had been criminally convicted, even though he believed he had done nothing wrong.

"It was not a very nice situation. I was under a lot of stress. I was very agitated," he said.

The calm, soft-spoken Burnett, who now works at a halfway house for men, also testified about the difficulties

of being a guard in the prison system.

Among other things, he said, he had witnessed serious assaults.

"It's very traumatic," he told coroner's court. "Over the years, you do sort of get desensitized."

He said he relied on family and church to help him keep a sense of himself.

Burnett, who was charged with criminal negligence and failing to provide the necessary

ties of life in Smith's death, was grilled about his reluctance to give police the names of the other guards present at her death.

His lawyer had advised him to say as little as possible, coroner's court heard.

Charges against Burnett, who had been pressed into videotaping the choking death of Smith in her cell in Kitchener, Ont., five years ago, were dropped.

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Ashley Smith is shown surrounded by guards at a Quebec institution in 2007 in this image from a video. HANDOUT, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CORONER FOR ONTARIO/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Montreal. Boy, 12, charged after 16-year-old brother shot dead

A 12-year-old boy was charged Tuesday in connection with the shooting death of his older brother in a case that has devastated a family and left neighbours in disbelief.

The boy, wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt and striped trackpants, stood expressionless in a Montreal courtroom as he was charged with manslaughter and illegal possession of a loaded, prohibited weapon.

While authorities did not lay murder charges in Monday's death of his 16-year-old sibling, they did not describe the shooting as a complete accident either.

"Obviously because he's charged with manslaughter, it's not an accident — the evidence doesn't show it's an accident," said Crown prosecutor Marie-Claude Bourassa, without revealing the suspected circumstances.

"We just study the evidence and charge as the evidence leads us, and in this case, the evidence leads us to these very serious charges."

Due to his young age, the boy faces a maximum sentence of three years in youth detention if convicted. He cannot receive an adult sentence.

His identity as well as his brother's cannot be revealed because they are minors. The boy will remain in custody and is due back in court Friday for a bail hearing. The prosecution, which offered few details about the case, is expected to provide more evidence to the defence from the ongoing investigation.

"We objected to his release today based on the gravity of the offences and because of the information that we have as of now," said Bourassa, who noted it was too early to say whether the Crown would ask Friday that he remain detained.

When asked by a reporter whether the boys' parents could face charges, Bourassa replied: "For now, we don't know. Like I said, it's an ongoing investigation and there are a lot of people to be met."

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Statement of defence

Reporter adds to allegations against Furlong

The reporter behind a newspaper article that accused former Vancouver Olympic CEO John Furlong of abusing students at a school in northern British Columbia four decades ago has included explosive new accusations in her statement of defence, alleging Furlong physically abused a former spouse and sexually assaulted another.

None of the allegations, contained in a statement of defence filed Monday, have been tested in court. Furlong and his lawyers declined comment through a spokeswoman.

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Quebec

Woman charged for allegedly poisoning 2 co-workers

Gatineau police say they have charged a woman who allegedly poisoned two of her co-workers at a financial institution with an anti-psychotic last year.

The force says it received the initial complaint on Feb. 16, 2012, when two victims, aged 37 and 61, felt ill after eating their lunch.

"The investigation allows us to confirm the substance added to the food of one of the victims had anti-psychotic properties," said Gatineau police spokesman Jean Paul Le May.

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Neb. governor approves new Keystone route

Oilsands pipeline.

Alberta-to-Texas project still needs Obama's go-ahead to proceed

The fate of TransCanada's controversial Keystone XL pipeline was put squarely in the hands of the U.S. State Department on Tuesday after Nebraska's governor approved a new route amid fierce opposition from environmental groups.

Nebraska Gov. Dave Heineman sent a letter to U.S. President Barack Obama confirming that he would allow the Alberta-to-Texas oil pipeline to go through his state along a revised route that skirts an environmentally sensitive area.

Because the Keystone XL would cross an international border, it requires approval from the U.S. State Department and President Barack Obama. The \$7-billion project would carry bitumen extracted from Alberta's oilsands to refineries along the U.S. Gulf Coast.

Air travel. Sandy takes chunk out of Delta's Q4 profit

Delta, the world's second largest airline, said Tuesday that its fourth-quarter profit was nearly wiped out by Superstorm Sandy and special charges.

The storm forced airlines to cancel more than 20,000 flights. The impact was bigger at Delta because Sandy also slowed its operations at its new oil refinery near Philadelphia.

Delta's goal in restarting the refinery was to maximize jet fuel production and reduce the airline's fuel bill. But Sandy slowed the refinery's restart, and the refinery lost \$63 million US for the quarter and added seven cents per gallon to the price of Delta's jet fuel. Delta expects the refinery to be profitable in the current quarter.

Net income for the fourth quarter was \$7 million US, or a penny per share.

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By the numbers

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Delta said Superstorm Sandy cut \$100 million US from its fourth-quarter profit.

Alberta reaction

- Alberta's energy minister says he is pleased to hear that a major hurdle has been cleared on the Keystone XL pipeline.
- But Ken Hughes also says that Keystone, which will ship oilsands bitumen to refineries on the U.S. Gulf Coast, is just one part of the puzzle. He says the province still needs pipelines to Eastern Canada and to the West Coast to ship oil to markets in Asia.

The project has faced some of its strongest resistance in Nebraska from a coalition of landowners and environmental groups who say it would contaminate the Ogallala aquifer, a massive groundwater supply. Jane Kleeb, executive director of the group Bold Nebraska, says Heineman's decision is "one of the biggest flip-flops in Nebraska history." THE CANADIAN PRESS



Above, this All Nippon Airways Boeing 787 remained grounded on the tarmac at Takamatsu airport in western Japan on Monday after making an emergency landing last week. Japanese and U.S. investigators are conducting a probe into the lithium ion batteries used in the 787 jets, which are also known as Dreamliners. Inset, the plane's distorted main battery, left, alongside an undamaged auxiliary battery. KYODO NEWS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Air Canada CEO bullish on Dreamliners

Air Canada's chief executive is confident that battery problems plaguing the new Boeing 787 Dreamliner will be resolved quickly.

Calin Rovinescu, speaking Tuesday to the Montreal Chamber of Commerce, said problems are common with the introduction of new models and that he isn't expecting any changes to the 787's long-term delivery schedule.

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Rovinescu said Air Canada still expects to begin taking delivery of the first of the 37 Dreamliners it has ordered starting in 2014.

Currently all 50 of the Dreamliners that Boeing has delivered to airlines so far have been grounded as authorities

probe overheating problems with the plane's lithium ion batteries.

In addition to the grounding, Boeing has halted deliveries of new planes until it can address the electrical problems.

The 787 uses composite materials instead of metals and Rovinescu says the aircraft will provide "cost efficiencies" of more than 35 per cent.

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Investor skepticism. Has Apple lost its shine?

For many investors, Apple's best days are behind it. Competitors are catching up, they believe, and the latest iPhone is stumbling.

The company's doubters have backed their conviction with billions of dollars. Last week, the stock fell below \$500 US for the first time in 11 months. Since Apple's stock peaked at \$705.07 US on Sept. 21 — the day of the iPhone 5's release — it has fallen nearly 30 per cent, cutting Apple's market capitalization by nearly \$200 billion US.

On Wednesday, Apple — still the world's most valuable public company — gets a chance to rebut the skeptics

Rallying points

- While Apple's future prospects are in doubt, the company's supporters have one strong argument in their favour: The stock is cheap compared to current earnings, and even if the iPhone's sales growth slows, Apple will continue to generate plenty of revenue.
- The stock trades at 11 times the past 12 months of earnings, compared with 15 for Microsoft Corp. and 22 for Google Inc. Those figures don't take into account Apple's enormous cash pile — \$121 billion US — which boosts its value even further.

as it reports financial results for the holiday quarter. But the report could also end up confirming beliefs that the company is losing its edge as an arbiter of innovation and a

pacesetter in sales growth.

Apple's perception problem centres on the iPhone. Many investors believe the company has painted itself into a corner with the high-priced gadget.

The iPhone is more expensive than other smartphones that do many of the same things.

The company created the modern smartphone, but because of its strategy to sell the iPhone at a large premium, it will be unable to capitalize fully as smartphones continue conquering the world.

In many ways, the iPhone's global battle with phones running Google's Android operating system is a replay of the Mac-PC battles of the '80s and '90s, when Apple saw its innovative-yet-expensive Mac outflanked by cheaper PCs running Microsoft's DOS and Windows software.

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Retail. Walmart to finish 37 supercentres over next year

Walmart Canada will continue to expand its presence with new stores this year as U.S. retail powerhouse Target prepares to open shop in Canada.

Walmart plans to complete at least 37 additional supercentre projects by the end of next January, bringing the total number of Canadian locations to 388.

The U.S.-based discount retailer says nine of those locations will be new stores, with the remainder being conversions of existing properties into Walmart supercentres with a grocery offering. It says the ex-



Walmart Canada's expansion plans for this year include converting many stores into supercentres.

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pansion will create 7,000 jobs, half of which will be retail positions. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Holiday shopping. Black Friday helped spur retail sales growth

Stronger than expected holiday shopping boosted November retail sales in Canada, providing a needed lift to the soft economic environment at the end of last year.

In volume terms, sales jumped 0.8 per cent from the previous month, which along with a previously reported increase in wholesale activity, likely puts the month on a positive growth track.

The introduction of Black Friday and Cyber Monday shopping in Canada, which has traditionally marked the beginning of the holiday shopping season in the U.S., helped

spur Canadian sales," said David Madani, Capital Economics' chief Canadian economist.

Analysts had expected a flat reading in November, and noted that sales are only up 1.4 per cent on a year-to-year basis, about one third of the growth levels recorded in the U.S.

The prospects going forward are for continued weak retail sales, given that Canadians appear to be tapped out after several years of borrowing to support purchases of everything from homes to cars to appliances.

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Brussels

AB InBev wins latest EU round in battle of Buds

Ask for a "Bud" in the European Union and the only one you'll get from now on is from the brewing giant AB InBev, an EU high court ruled Tuesday in a rejection of a challenge from the Czech company Budejovicky Budvar.

AB InBev claimed victory in the latest round in the century-long fight between the two companies over the right to put the word Budweiser, one of beer's biggest brand names, on their bottles and kegs.

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Calgary

Griffiths Energy to pay \$10.35M for bribing officials

Griffiths Energy will pay a \$10.35-million fine after pleading guilty to a bribery charge for payments made to officials in Chad. The Calgary-based company disclosed last week it had been charged under a Canadian law called the Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act.

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Texas

Microsoft joins talks to buy Dell, reports say

Microsoft has joined the negotiations to buy struggling computer maker Dell, according to media reports.

Both CNBC and The Wall Street Journal reported that Microsoft Corp. may invest some of the money needed to take Dell Inc. private after 25 years as a publicly traded company. Tuesday's stories cited unidentified people familiar with the negotiations. Texas-based Dell, the second largest U.S. computer maker behind Hewlett-Packard Co., is one of Microsoft's biggest partners. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Even if you're not exactly sure why, you know this is a bad idea.

A Harvard biologist says it's possible to bring the Neanderthal back to life through cloning. All he needs is some caveman DNA and the womb of an "extremely adventurous female human" and voila!

Yikes! Troglodytes!

Yes, the Neanderthal is traditionally regarded as the loser in the race to the top of the food chain, rendered extinct 30,000-plus years ago, unable to overcome the challenge of the wittier, more upright, photogenic Homo sapiens, i.e., us.

As prehistory is written by the victors, we're used to thinking of the Neanderthal as slow-witted, rude and, of course, extinct.

Recently though, the Neanderthal image has undergone a bit of an upgrade as scientists have discovered that they had a larger brain capacity than

Guess Who. It also turns out Homo sapiens weren't so fussy back then when it came to sharing the cave ... all of us have a little Neanderthal DNA. Which might help explain our rapid descent down the evolutionary tree after a couple of drinks.

But now, Harvard's George Church, who looks a little like a Neanderthal elder (robust, hairy), in a new book called *Regenesis: How Synthetic Biology will Reinvent*

the World, outlines how theoretically easy it is to resurrect extinct species, as long as we have viable DNA.

Prof. Church thinks it might be a good idea to breed a Neanderthal and encourage him/her to use that excess cranial capacity to solve some modern problems.

Nature and Ourselves, outlines how theoretically easy it is to resurrect extinct species, as long as we have viable DNA.

Prof. Church thinks it might be a good idea to breed a Neanderthal and encourage him/her to use that excess cranial capacity to solve some modern problems.

For example:

"Trog, how should we address world hunger?"

Answer: "Eat more!"

Or, "Trog, what's the secret to world peace?"

Answer: "Bash fo good!"

You can see how this could be helpful, as long as we stick to single syllables.

Prof. Church is a very smart man. He was one of the pioneers of the Human Genome Project and has helped launch two dozen biotech firms. But you wonder if he could do with a bit more of that vaunted Neanderthal cranial capacity.

Meanwhile, the call is out for that "extremely adventurous female human" to act as the troglodyte's incubator. Presumably, Prof. Church will be looking for someone with prior experience, like Rosemary.

But smirk as we might (and we do), this is ultimately a tragic tale. How would you like to grow up knowing your last chance to meet a nice girl and settle down expired 30,000 years ago, and everyone thinks you're one strand short of a genome, like the guy in the Geico commercial: So Easy, a Caveman Could Do It?

Exactly. It's fun until someone gets his feelings hurt. And then he bashes your head in.



Say hello to what could be your new neighbour. iSTOCK

Angels swimming in the sea



ALEXANDER SEMENOV

Underwater shots

Deep sea's beauty revealed

Think "deep sea" and images of creatures untouched by nature's beauty come to mind: fang-toothed angler fish, translucent sea worms and eerie squids, just to name a few. But this photo of a vibrant, rainbow-coloured sea angel in Russia's White Sea by Alexander Semenov shows a prettier side of what lurks below.

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Q and A

Sea slugs are vibrant

ALEXANDER SEMENOV
Photographer, zoologist at White Sea Biological Station, Russia

What makes deep-sea photography so special?

The deep water is a very diverse place for animals. The countless factors that affect natural life — salinity, water temperature, depth, different types of water —

create a unique ecosystem, something that we will never see in an aquarium.

What presents the biggest challenge in underwater photography?

First of all, it's difficult to do anything in the water. It's tricky enough to stay close to your subject while making sure that your flippers don't churn up a cloud of haze from the bottom. The shooting process can be tough, too: you have to set the lighting functions at the right moment. But the

biggest problem is temperature. Sometimes the water is -1.5 C; after 20 to 30 minutes, you lose the feeling in your hands despite having thick gloves.

Why the fascination with sea slugs?

I like all of the inhabitants of the underwater world, but nudibranchs (a species of sea slugs) are particularly interesting as they are one of the most vibrant groups. They possess every colour and shape combination imaginable. METRO WORLD NEWS



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as cold as it gets here, i always have to remember - it's probably colder in winnipeg.

@AshleyArruda: ...

If I had a car or extra money I would drive around #Winnipeg give random people coffee/tea/ hot chocolate at the bus stops

@icandylewis: ...

lol it's -39 windchill here in winnipeg. Damn Alaska is warmer than here!

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The many faces of Parker



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In the movie Parker, Jason Statham, British action-man and Hollywood star, plays the title character. He's a ruthless career criminal with a twisted sense of ethics — he doesn't steal from the poor or hurt innocent people.

Sound familiar? Well it should, as the character is the star of 24 books written by Donald E. Westlake (under the pseudonym Richard Stark). Many films have also been made from the books, with Parker played by everyone from Lee Marvin to Mel Gibson to Robert Duvall.

If the movies don't ring a bell, however, it's because on film, Parker has often been renamed.

For instance, in 1967's Point Blank (based upon the novel The Hunter) Lee Marvin played the character named Parker in the book, but changed to Walker for the film.

In the '70s and '80s, the Westlake Parker novels remained popular Hollywood source material. Robert Duvall switched the name to Macklin in 1973's The Outfit, one of Quentin Tarantino's favourite films.

The best-known Parker adaptation is Payback in 1999, but with so many actors having played the character, who would Westlake, his creator, like to have seen in the role? "Usually I don't put an actor's face to the character," he said, "though with Parker, in the early days, I did think he probably looked something like Jack Palance. That may be partly because you knew Palance wasn't faking it."



Movie 43 director Peter Farrelly said he was surprised big stars like Halle Berry agreed to star in the film. HANDOUT

Movie 43 is either going to be Funny or Die trying

Interview. While the collection of bizarre shorts may include famous actors, the director doesn't see it doing well on Rotten Tomatoes

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Before director/producer Peter Farrelly will get on with our interview, he needs to make sure he's talking to someone from a real publication.

"Metro News sounds like something out of Superman," Farrelly says. "I work for the Metro News!"

After assuring him that we are very real, it's time to talk about the raunchy comedy anthology Movie 43, a project

that's also very real, even if Farrelly is working without his brother Bobby, his co-director on such career-definers as Dumb and Dumber and There's Something About Mary.

You've got some big stars in this, some with Oscars. How did you convince them to take part?

Well, when we got Kate Winslet and Hugh Jackman, Charlie Wessler, the producer, told them that Coen Brothers were going to direct them, and then I showed up and said that they'd had to cancel (laughs). I was nervous showing up with Kate Winslet and Halle Berry and Hugh Jackman. I thought when they got on the set they were going to blink and say, 'You're kidding. I can't be doing this.' Not only did they not, they embraced it like it was their first movie ever and they wanted to go for it.

Hit or miss

"It's groundbreaking and odd and offensive and critics aren't going to know what to do with it."

Peter Farrelly
Talking about how he expects Movie 43 to be received poorly by the critics.

How much do sites like Funny or Die work as far as finding new comedy talent?

That's where we got all our new talent, in fact. Charlie would scour Funny or Die and the entire Internet for funny pieces and then contact those guys or women and say, 'Hey, that's hilarious. We're doing a movie of shorts, you want to write one?'

How did you decide which of the segments to direct yourself?

I just picked the best ones (laughs). Because I'm the producer. Um, no, I picked the ones that I thought were the funniest. And by the way, it's going to get about a six per cent on the Rotten Tomatoes scale if we're lucky, just so you know. Because it's groundbreaking and odd and offensive and critics aren't going to know what to do with it.

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Prince Harry on nude scandal

Prince Harry is finally speaking out about his nude photo scandal from his trip to Las Vegas last summer, acknowledging it wasn't his proudest moment. "I probably let myself down. I let my family down. I let other people down," Harry told reporters as he wrapped up

his latest four-month stint in Afghanistan. But he doesn't think he was the only one acting inappropriately. "At the end of the day, I was in a private area and there should be a certain amount of privacy," he said. "The way I was treated by (the media) I don't think is acceptable."



Selena Gomez

Selena Gomez enjoying life after Bieber

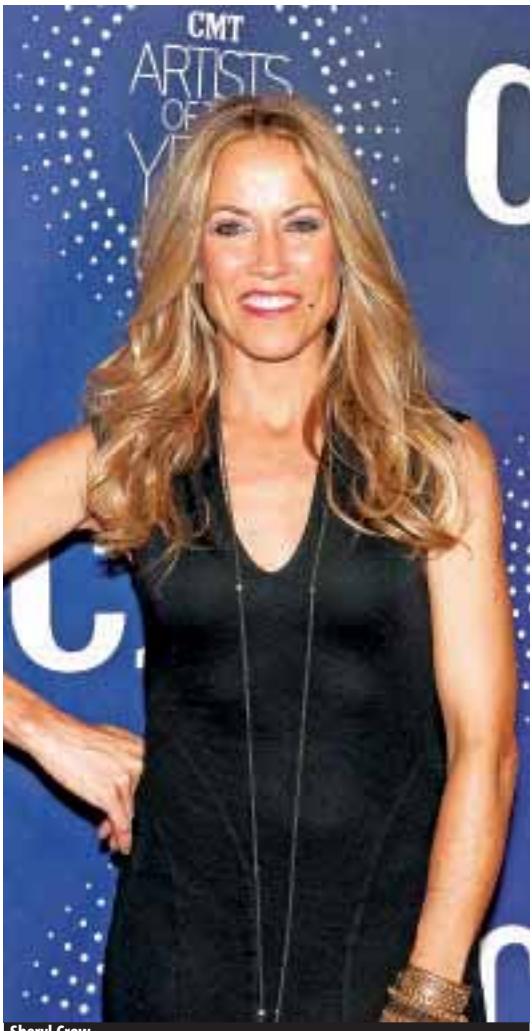
Selena Gomez seems to be definitely moving on after her split from Justin Bieber. After playing a recent benefit concert where she covered break up songs by Taylor Swift and Justin Timberlake, Gomez was recently spotted

running off with a "scruffy young guy," according to the New York Post. Gomez and the dark-haired mystery man shared a private car away from the venue, heading out to a night of partying around New York City.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word



Sheryl Crow

'Honesty is always the best bet,' says Crow of ex-fiancée, Lance Armstrong

Lance Armstrong's ex-fiancée, Sheryl Crow, is speaking out on the disgraced cyclist's coming clean about his years of doping, admitting it would have been tough for Armstrong to keep it a secret much longer.

"I think that honesty is always the best bet and

that the truth will set you free," she tells Entertainment Tonight, admitting that she'd only seen "bits and pieces" of Armstrong's two-part interview with Oprah Winfrey.

"To carry around a weight like that would be devastating in the long run."



The Beyoncé lip-syncing scandal

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If you are one of the millions who thought that a triumphant Beyoncé trumped Kelly Clarkson's vocal prowess at Monday's inauguration, you should know a little secret: Beyoncé might have lip sang The Star Spangled Banner. The Internet was abuzz

yesterday with a much-circulated story that a spokesperson (who has probably since been fed to the wolves) from the Marine Corp Band, which backed Beyoncé (Beyonsync? Hackoncé?) and said that the singer decided at the "last minute to go with the pre-recorded version."

Lip-sync? Beyoncé? Girlfriend ripped out her ear piece and then went on to nail it!

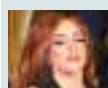
If her removing her earpiece was indeed just a dramatic, unneeded touch in order to fool us, her acting ability is much better than Austin Powers in Goldmember gives her credit for.

Twitter



@Oliviawilde

I would like to request that the word fiancée be replaced with beyoncé, for obvious reasons. Effective immediately.



@ladygaga

And if you thought I was looking at you during the show I was.



@JasonAlexander

With every passing day, I fear that growth spurt my pediatrician swore I'd get may be more and more of a bad prognosis.



@Sethrogen

You don't automatically look like me if you're chubby and have stubble and glasses. You have to be Jewish too.



On Friday, pubs around the globe will be fully stocked in tribute to Scotland's national poet – Robbie Burns. Born in 1759, Burns was a Scottish poet and lyricist celebrated internationally for such works as *Auld Lang Syne* and *Address to a Haggis*. He was voted the Greatest Scot of All Time in a national 2009 television contest. If you find yourself in Edinburgh, here are some ways to get to know the man behind the day.

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Edinburgh is Burns-ing

The Writers' Museum

The Writers' Museum focuses on Scotland's three greatest word-smiths — Sir Walter Scott, Robert Louis Stevenson and of course, Robbie Burns. Fans of great literature can learn about the bard's life through portraits, early manuscripts, personal items and, for the more macabre, even a rare plaster cast of Burns' skull — all set in the beautifully historic 17th Century Lady's Stair House on Edinburgh's Royal Mile.



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The Burns Monument

The 19th Century-commissioned Burns Monument was constructed to house a life-size statue of Robbie Burns. Although the marble likeness is now found in the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, its impressive shelter still stands. Located on Regent Road, the circular, recently restored Neo-Greek-style temple also supplies a worthy view of Arthur's Seat — the stunning mountainous hill that rises above Edinburgh.



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Scottish National Portrait Gallery

Not only does the 123-year old building contain the aforementioned statue of Burns, but the Scottish National Portrait Gallery is one of Edinburgh's most neo-gothic architectural fascinations. Shortlisted as the UK's museum of the year in 2012, this popular museum explores Scotland's history through its extensive portrait collection of the country's most luminous icons, including everyone from Robbie Burns to Mary, Queen of Scots and even legendary actor Sean Connery.



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The White Hart Inn

A 16th century pub that boasts Robbie Burns among its past patrons, the fascinating White Hart Inn in Edinburgh's historic Grassmarket Square also claims to have hosted notorious 19th Century murderers Burke and Hare and survived an attack by a German zeppelin during the First World War. In the true spirit of Robbie Burns however, you should at least wrap up your day of travels with the pub's "wee taste of haggis with bashed neeps".



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Impress your dinner guests with easy Pesto-Stuffed Chicken Rolls



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This delicious, elegant and simple dish is perfect for entertaining. The rolls can be left whole, sliced in half or cut into medallions.

For the health-conscious, making your own low-fat version of pesto is preferable, but for this recipe a store-bought version is fine. Buy roasted red peppers packed in water, not oil, or make your own.

1. Preheat the oven to 425 F. Line a baking sheet with foil and spray with cooking oil.

2. Working with one at a time, place the chicken breasts between two sheets of waxed paper and pound to an even quarter-inch thickness.

3. Stir the cream cheese and pesto together in a small bowl until smooth. Divide the mixture among the chicken breasts, spreading it thinly

Ingredients

- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breasts (about 1 lb)
- 2 tbsp light cream cheese, softened
- 1 tbsp pesto
- 2 tbsp roasted red pepper, chopped
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp water or low-fat milk
- 1/2 cup dry seasoned bread crumbs
- 2 tsp vegetable oil

over the surface. Scatter the red pepper over top. Starting at the short end, roll up each chicken breast and secure with a toothpick or skewer.

4. Beat the egg and water together in a shallow bowl, then place the bread crumbs on a plate.

5. Spray a large non-stick skillet with cooking oil. Add the oil and place over medium-high heat. Dip each chicken roll in the egg mixture, then

Ingredients

coat in the bread crumbs. Cook, turning occasionally, for 3 minutes or until well browned on all sides. Transfer to the prepared baking sheet.

6. Bake for 12 to 14 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through and no longer pink in the centre. Remove the toothpicks and serve chicken



This recipe serves 4. LORELLA ZANETTI/FROM ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE LIGHT KITCHEN

This herb-roasted Cornish game hen really cuts the mustard

1. Heat the oven to 400 F.

2. In a small bowl, combine sage, thyme, lemon zest and salt. Separate skin from meat on breast and thighs of each hen. Rub a quarter of herb blend directly onto breast and thigh meat (under the skin) of each hen. Cover and chill hens.

3. Meanwhile, in large saucepan or Dutch oven, arrange chicken wings in a single layer. Roast wings on the oven's middle rack for 15 minutes, then turn and roast another 15 minutes, or until golden. Add onion, carrot, garlic, tomato paste and thyme sprig, then roast another 15 minutes, or until vegetables are slightly caramelized. Turn off the oven.

4. Set pan of wings and vegetables over medium heat on stovetop. Add wine and bring to simmer, scraping bottom to release browned bits. Simmer until wine is reduced by half. Add chicken broth and enough cold water to cover wings by 1 inch. Bring liquid to a boil and simmer for 2 hours, adding water as necessary to keep wings covered.

5. After the liquid has simmered for 1 1/2 hours, heat oven to 475 F. Remove hens from the refrigerator and use paper towels to pat dry. Coat lightly with olive oil cooking spray, then use cooking twine to tie legs together. Arrange hens on rack in shallow roasting pan. Roast in middle of



This recipe serves 4. MATTHEW MEAD/
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oven for 30 minutes.

6. Transfer hens to a platter and let rest, loosely covered with foil, for 10 minutes.

7. When chicken stock has simmered for 2 hours, strain mixture into large bowl, discarding solids. Skim off any fat. Wipe pot used to make stock, then pour stock back into it. Return to stovetop over high heat and boil until reduced to 1 cup, about 10 minutes.

8. In small cup, whisk together cornstarch and evaporated skim milk. While whisking

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup chopped fresh sage, plus extra to garnish
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh thyme, plus 1 large sprig for stock and extra to garnish
- 1 tbsp plus 1 tsp lemon zest
- 1 1/2 tsp salt
- Four 1 1/4 lbs Cornish game hens
- 1 lb chicken wings, separated into joints
- 1 cup coarsely chopped yellow onion
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped carrot
- 2 garlic cloves, smashed
- 1 tbsp tomato paste
- 1/2 cup red wine
- 1 1/2 cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 1 tbsp cornstarch
- 1/2 cup evaporated skim milk
- 2 tbsp Dijon mustard
- Ground black pepper

constantly, add cornstarch mixture to simmering stock. Continue whisking until thickened, then whisk in mustard. Season with pinch of salt and pepper. Add juices from resting hens to sauce. Transfer hens to plates and pour sauce over each one. Garnish with fresh thyme and sage.

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rolls whole or slice the rolls into medallions.

ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE LIGHT KITCHEN (WHITECAP BOOKS) BY ROSE REISMAN

Main course. Duck Breasts à l'Orange

Ingredients

- 2 whole Peking duck breasts (4 halves)
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 3 small oranges
- 1 medium shallot, minced (about 1/4 cup)
- 1 1/2 tbsp sherry vinegar
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 tsp cornstarch dissolved in 2 tsp water
- 2 tsp Dijon mustard
- Chopped fresh chives



1. Using a sharp knife, lightly score skin on each duck breast half in a crisscross pattern. Sprinkle lightly on all sides with salt and pepper.

2. Heat large skillet over medium high until hot. Reduce heat to medium and place duck breasts, skin side down, in skillet. Sauté for 10 minutes, or until skin looks crispy. Do not pour off fat.

3. When duck skin is crisp, transfer breasts to plate. Pour off all but 2 tsps of fat from pan. Return duck to skillet, skin side up, and cook another 3 to 5 minutes for medium-rare. Transfer duck to clean plate, skin side up. Cover loosely with foil and let rest.

4. Juice 2 1/2 of oranges (about 1/2 cup of juice). Thin-

ly slice remaining half.

5. Without cleaning the skillet, return to medium heat and add shallots. Sauté until golden, 2 to 3 minutes. Add orange juice and simmer until reduced by half. Add sherry vinegar and simmer 2 minutes. Add chicken broth and orange slices and simmer until slightly syrupy, or reduced by about 1/3.

6. Whisk cornstarch mixture, then whisk into sauce. Simmer, whisking 1 minute. Add mustard and any juices. Season with salt and pepper.

7. Thinly slice duck and arrange on 6 plates. Spoon sauce with orange slices over each portion, then sprinkle with chives.

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Current careers that could bring in the cash

Field of dreams? Keep a resumé ready for three industries that might just go boom

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Some industries, such as health care, will always be booming. Other paths are not as obviously fruitful.

"Predicting job growth is like predicting where tornadoes will form," says Rich Milgram, CEO of the job-posting website Beyond.com. "You can have all the charts and data in the world, but it's not an exact science."

Milgram says it's all about "looking for trends that can help inform how the job market will fare long-term."

Metro got some advice from industry insiders.

The industry: Real estate

"Even after five years of a challenging real estate market, employees of real estate companies are extremely

Happiness in homes

"Even after five years of a challenging real estate market, employees of real estate companies are extremely happy with their jobs."

Doug Claffey, CEO of Workplace Dynamics, on the real estate industry

happy with their jobs," says Doug Claffey, CEO of Workplace Dynamics.

"The entrepreneurial nature of the industry gives employees a great deal of control over their own destinies and success."

The industry: Retail

Talent acquisition company iCIMS pores over data to find out which industries are receiving the most applications and doing the most hiring.

"At the end of 2012, iCIMS evaluated the data and noted which industries were experiencing an increase in ap-

Watch that workforce

The industry: Biosciences

- While 2013 might not be a big year for biosciences and pharmaceuticals, it's an area worth watching.

- "We don't think there's much room for growth with the large pharmaceutical companies," says Chuck Pappalardo, managing director of Trilogy Search. "This sector is too important for us not to keep a close eye on it, but the coming year — and possibly even the next five years — won't be its finest hour."

plicant submissions for open positions," says the company's CEO Colin Day.

"Retail, transportation and health care all received the largest number of open position applications, with retail ahead in the volume of submissions."

Don't flatline your chance to shine

Pretend you're on Twitter

If your cover letter was a tweet, what would it say? Get to the point without saying: "I'm applying for the ABC position at EFG Corp. that was posted on Simply Hired."

Writing this sentence on Twitter would be a waste of characters. Instead, your cover letter should start with your pitch: "I'd be a great fit for the ABC position because XYZ."

Stop saying that you have "strong analytical skills" and instead analyze the job description and craft some concise and specific statements

demonstrating why you'd be perfect for the gig.

Lose your laundry lists

Why does your resumé include laundry lists of each daily task you performed for all the jobs you've ever had? If you were a part-time receptionist, anyone who looks at your resumé will know that you answered the phone. What made you good at this job? How did you stand out?

Candidates should pitch themselves as achievers rather than doers. Make accomplishments the focal point of

your resumé and cover letter — and cut out the rest.

Stop the resumé firing squad

We all know the drill: Modify a few resumé buzzwords, change the company name and job title on your cover letter and fire off multiple applications into cyberspace.

Instead, opt for a quality-over-quantity approach by applying to a few positions very well. Standing out requires more time than you may be spending right now.

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Career quandaries for those with disabilities

Necessary knowledge.

When seeking out the perfect position for you, it's important to do your research and to know your rights

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It is always stressful seeking employment; however, another layer of stress is added, for those with disabilities, when it comes to making a decision on when and whether to disclose that disability to a prospective employer.

Although there is plenty of research that illustrates the potential benefits to an employer of having a diverse workforce that includes persons with disabilities, there are certainly many misconceptions that could stand in your way.

When trying to decide the best way to proceed, it is important to first know the laws and how they can protect you.

What are your rights, responsibilities and obligations?

First, take some time to review the Canadian Human Rights Commission website (chrc-ccdp.gc.ca).

You will find on their site information on Duty to Accommodate, A Guide to Creating an Inclusive Workplace, and examples of past cases that are viewed as significant in forming and upholding the Canadian Human Rights Act.

The more you know and understand our laws, the more confident you will feel about what is acceptable and unacceptable behaviour on the part of employers. This will ensure that you know what your rights are and how you can work together with a prospective employer to protect them.

However, regardless of how many laws there are to protect us, we still need to use common sense, instinct and judgment when it comes to any topic that may leave us vulnerable to discrimination.

Thus, I encourage you to do research on prospective places of employment. Seek

Ask around!

Know another individual who has a disability and is working at a company that you are interested in?

- Set up an informational interview to talk about his or her experiences and get some first-hand advice on how he or she handled the job application process and how he or she was treated during and after hiring.

out companies that have a track record of hiring and supporting individuals with disabilities. Some may have company policies that promote and advocate for a more diverse and inclusive workplace. If you know this in advance, it may impact your decision on whether you disclose a disability and when.

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Banished from your brush with careerdom

Have you been laid off as a recent grad?

Dust yourself off and begin to plot a new plan of action

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You go into work one morning and it happens.

You get called into your boss's office and you're told that your relationship with the company has ended.

In other words, you've just been laid off. A whirlwind of emotions run through you: anger, shame, regret, despair. When I was first laid off last year, I was shocked to say the least. Until that point, I had never suffered a major professional failure.

When I was laid off again later that same year, I was beside myself. Not only was my self-confidence destroyed, but I also believed that my future career prospects were shot as well. After all, who would hire someone who had been laid off not once, but TWICE — especially in today's ultra competitive job

market?

Well, after I stopped whining like a petulant child, I realized that there were plenty of opportunities still available to me, including some that I hadn't seriously considered before.

Before I could come to that realization, however, I had to get through the initial post-lay off blues.

If you've recently lost your job and you're feeling as lost and confused as I once was, here is some advice to help you get past these difficult times:

Don't immediately jump back into your job search

After you've been laid off, your first instinct might be to go home and immediately start looking for your next job. This is usually not the best thing to do. Your emotions will still be running high and you're not likely to get very far in your job search if you can't speak objectively about your previous employer. Take a day or two to relax and cool your head.

Vent!

You'll undoubtedly have very strong feelings regarding your former employer, and



Turn that frown upside down. Most employers understand that we are living in difficult economic times and that lay offs are sometimes inescapable. iSTOCK

the best thing to do is to get these emotions off your chest.

Whether it's ranting to

friends and family or writing a strongly-worded review on RateMyEmployer.ca, venting your frustrations will

Door closes, window opens

It's not the end of the world

- Remember when I said that losing my job made me realize how many new opportunities I really had in front of me?
- Before I was laid off, I had never seriously considered a career in writing. I'd thought about it in passing, but I'd always told myself that it was a very difficult field in which to be

successful and that I just didn't have enough experience to compete.

• Instead, I'd looked towards "safer" jobs that offered me more money and more stability—or so I thought. Being laid off twice made me realize that there is no such thing as real job security in this day and age, and that you're much better off doing something you enjoy.

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Winnipeg Jets right-winger Blake Wheeler watches his shot go past Washington Capitals goalie Braden Holtby on Tuesday in Washington.

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Jets get their offence going in Washington

NHL. Ondrej Pavelec makes 32 saves in Jets' first win of season

Evander Kane and Blake Wheeler each provided a goal and an assist, and the Winnipeg Jets suddenly transformed into an offensive juggernaut, beating Alex Ovechkin's struggling Capitals 4-2 Tuesday night to end Washington's 10-game winning streak in home openers.

Two games and two losses into the lockout-shortened season — and new Washington boss Adam Oates' NHL head coaching career — Ovechkin doesn't have a goal, the Capitals have been outscored 10-5, and

their opponents are 5-for-12 on power plays.

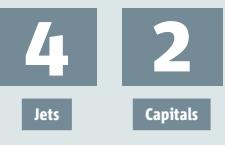
Andrew Ladd and Jim Slater also scored, and Tobias Enstrom had three assists for Winnipeg (1-1-1), which outshot the Capitals 39-34.

The Jets scored only two goals in their first 137.5 minutes of play this season. They matched that total with a pair of power-play scores in a four-minute span during the first period Tuesday.

The Jets led 4-1 until Washington's Troy Brouwer scored on a power play with 76 seconds remaining.

Washington also scored first, on Matt Hendricks' goal about 10 minutes into the game. Ovechkin passed the puck across the ice to Nicklas

Tuesday's game



Backstrom, who sent it toward Hendricks, camped out alone in front of the crease. Hendricks' right skate redirected the puck toward the net, and it also ticked off his stick on the way past goalie Ondrej Pavelec. The goal held up after a video review.

The Capitals' lead didn't stand long. Winnipeg tied it about 2.5 minutes later when

Kane's attempt to centre the puck wound up in the net behind goalie Braden Holtby. The puck went in accidentally after striking the boot of Capitals defenceman John Carlson at the 12.5-minute mark.

Then, with Carlson in the penalty box for delay of game, the Jets went ahead 2-1. This time, with Ovechkin and Backstrom on the penalty kill, Winnipeg captain Ladd took a one-timer from between the circles that clanged in off the right post with eight seconds remaining on the advantage.

Pavelec's 32 saves included a nice glove stop of a shot by Jay Beagle from close range more than four minutes into the third period.

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MLB

Jays fill out roster with DeRosa

The Toronto Blue Jays signed veteran infielder Mark DeRosa to a \$750,000 US, one-year contract Tuesday and designated right-hander Sam Dyson for assignment.

DeRosa's contract includes a \$750,000 club option for the 2014 season.

The 37-year-old batted .188 with five doubles and six RBIs in 48 games for the Washington Nationals last season.

In 1,153 career games over 15 big-league seasons, DeRosa has posted a .270 average with 93 home runs and 458 RBIs.

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NCAA

Te'o's 'girlfriend' speaks out on hoax

The woman whose photo was used as the "face" of the Twitter account of Notre Dame linebacker Manti Te'o's supposed girlfriend says the man allegedly behind the hoax confessed and apologized to her.

Diane O'Meara told NBC's Today Show Tuesday that Ronaiah Tuiasosopo used pictures of her without her knowledge in creating a fake woman called Lennay Kekua. Te'o asserts he was tricked into an online romance with Kekua and, until last week, did not understand he was being hoaxed.

O'Meara went to high school in California with Tuiasosopo, but she says they're not close. He called to apologize Jan. 16, the day Deadspin.com broke the hoax story, she said.

"I don't think there's anything he could say to me that would fix this," said O'Meara, a 23-year-old marketing executive in Los Angeles.

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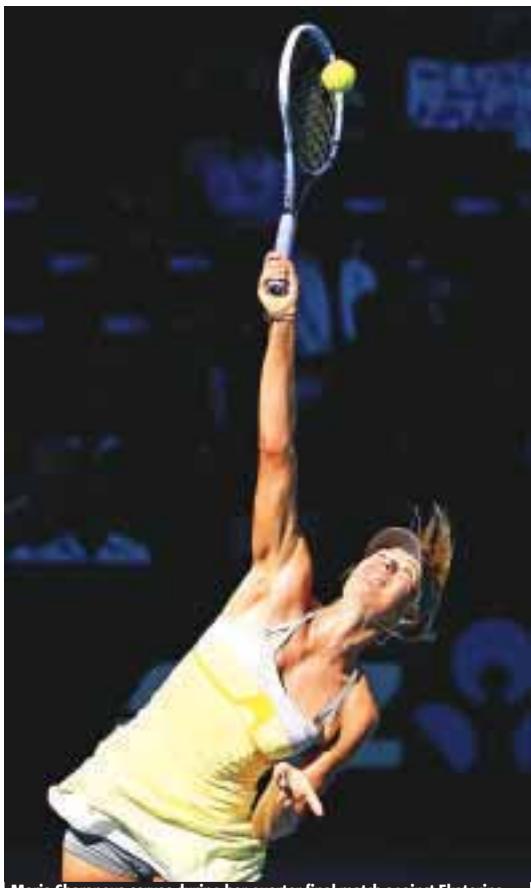
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Maria Sharapova serves during her quarter-final match against Ekaterina Makarova in Melbourne on Tuesday. LUCAS DAWSON/GETTY IMAGES

Sharapova laying the hammer down in women's draw

Australian Open.

Four-time Grand Slam winner cruises into semis having lost just 9 games in 5 matches

Maria Sharapova has lost only nine games in five matches on the way to the semifinals at the Australian Open. Always the perfectionist, she sees room for improvement.

Defending champion Novak Djokovic made some improvements of his own later Tuesday, beating Tomas Berdych 6-1, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4 to advance to a semifinal against David Ferrer.

After needing five hours, two minutes to beat Stanislas Wawrinka in the fourth round Sunday, Djokovic never appeared threatened in his pursuit of a third consecutive Australian Open title. He completed his win over Berdych in exactly half the time of his previous victory.

Remaining men's quarters

On Wednesday, the other side of the men's draw has second-seeded Roger Federer facing Jo-Wilfried Tsonga and No. 3 Andy Murray taking on Jeremy Chardy of France.

Sharapova beat fellow Russian Ekaterina Makarova 6-2, 6-2 on Tuesday and was asked afterward if she'd lost focus in only a few games this tournament.

"No, I'd probably say more," she said, "but that's probably because I'm critical."

If that's the case, she's a pretty tough taskmaster.

After opening with a pair of 6-0, 6-0 wins, Sharapova beat seven-time major winner Venus Williams 6-1, 6-3 in the third round and Belgian Kristen Flipkens 6-0, 6-1 in the fourth.

Her impressive streak

comes after having played in no warm-up tournaments because of a right collarbone injury. But after losing to Victoria Azarenka in a lopsided final last year, Sharapova is taking nothing for granted.

"To be honest, those are not the stats you want to be known for," Sharapova said, adding that she was more concerned about adding a fifth Grand Slam title and had spent plenty of time on the practice court.

Sharapova's semifinal opponent will be Li Na, who beat Agnieszka Radwanska 7-5, 6-3 in the first of Tuesday's quarter-finals, breaking the Polish player's 13-match winning streak to start the season.

The quarter-finals on the other half of the draw were Wednesday, with American teen Sloane Stephens taking on Serena Williams, who is aiming for a third consecutive major title, and Azarenka topping two-time major winner Svetlana Kuznetsova to advance to the semis. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NHL

Wings stalwart Holmstrom calls it a career

Tomas Holmstrom called it the best job in the world.

It just wasn't always glamorous.

"Some people may think I've been crazy all those years, taking thousands of cross-checkings to my neck, to my head, to my back," Holmstrom said. "Then having my teammates shooting hundred-mile-an-hour pucks at me."

Holmstrom made his retirement official Tuesday after 15 seasons with the Detroit Red Wings, announcing it at a news conference before the team's home opener against Dallas. The gritty winger helped Detroit to four Stanley Cup titles with his hard-nosed play in front of the net. He also won an Olympic gold medal in 2006 with Sweden.

Holmstrom, 40, finished his NHL career with 243 goals and 287 assists in 1,024 regular-season games. He made his debut in 1996. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

CTE can be identified in living athletes: Study

A new study has offered the first evidence CTE, a concussion-related brain disease, can be identified in living athletes, a discovery experts say could change the way professional sports treat concussions and head trauma in players.

Currently, chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE) is diagnosed only after death, using an autopsy. The new findings are a step toward identifying the disease while players are still alive.

"It suggests we're on the right track," UCLA neuroscientist Gary Small, an Alzheimer's specialist and lead author on the study, said in an interview. "We have an approach or a strategy to detect the problem early so we can develop treatments before there's extensive damage."

In the study, published Tuesday in the American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry, UCLA researchers injected a biomarker into five retired NFL players ages 45 to 73 with a history of CTE symptoms, as well as a control group of healthy adults. They then ran all the participants through a brain scan to look for tau proteins, an indicator of CTE, locating significant amounts in the retired players' brains.

Experts believe CTE can de-



Signs of chronic traumatic encephalopathy were identified in the brain of Junior Seau, who shot himself to death last year.

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velop in athletes after repeated minor head injuries. Symptoms can include depression, dementia, memory loss and suicidal behaviour, according to previous studies.

Signs of the disease were identified earlier this month in the brain of Pro Bowl linebacker Junior Seau, who fatally shot himself in the chest last year. CTE has also been diagnosed in post-mortem examinations of former NHL enforcers Derek Boogaard and Bob Probert.

Since CTE was first identified about a decade ago, the

disease has also been found in brain tissue belonging to dozens of former American and Canadian football players, most notably through research conducted at the U.S.-based Brain Injury Research Institute, which funded Small's research.

The UCLA study uses a biomarker that has been used to track Alzheimer's. According to the study, it is the only imaging substance that can locate tau in living people. This, the authors say, is the first study to apply it to CTE.

Among the players tested, the biomarker revealed excessive amounts of tau in regions of the brain that control emotions and behaviour. Researchers found "a straight line" between the number of concussions the players had suffered and the amount of tau protein in their brains, Small said.

"That goes along with other studies that show if you have three or more concussions, it increases your risk for mild cognitive impairment and depression symptoms," he said.

Small stressed the study is only the first step in studying brain degeneration in living athletes with histories of repeated head trauma.

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NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	9	4	
New Jersey	2	2	0	5	1	4
NY Islanders	2	1	1	5	2	
NY Rangers	2	0	2	4	9	0
Philadelphia	3	0	3	3	11	0

NORTHEAST DIVISION

GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Ottawa	2	2	0	8	1	4
Buffalo	2	2	0	7	3	4
Boston	2	2	0	5	2	4
Montreal	2	1	1	5	3	2
Toronto	2	1	0	3	3	2

SOUTHEAST DIVISION

GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Tampa Bay	3	2	1	0	13	8
Winnipeg	3	1	1	6	8	3
Florida	3	1	2	6	9	2
Washington	2	0	2	0	5	10
Carolina	2	0	2	0	2	9

PACIFIC DIVISION

GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Anaheim	2	2	0	12	7	4
Dallas	3	2	1	0	6	5
San Jose	1	1	0	0	4	1
Los Angeles	1	0	1	0	2	5
Phoenix	2	0	2	0	7	10

Note: A team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OL (other loss) column.

Tuesday's results

Montreal 4 Florida 1

Winnipeg 4 Washington 2

Tampa Bay 1 Minnesota

St. Louis at Chicago

Los Angeles at Colorado

San Jose at Edmonton

Montreal 5 Calgary 4

Boston 2 Winnipeg 1 (SO)

Buffalo 2 Toronto 1

Detroit 4 Columbus 3 (SO)

NY Islanders 4 Tampa Bay 3

Ottawa 4 Florida 0

St. Louis 4 Nashville 3 (SO)

Wednesday's games — All Times Eastern

Toronto at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.

Boston at NY Rangers, 7:30 p.m.

Columbus at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Calgary at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Thursday's games

NY Islanders at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Montreal at Washington, 7 p.m.

Buffalo at Carolina, 7 p.m.

NY Rangers at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

Ottawa at Florida, 7:30 p.m.

Nashville at St. Louis, 8 p.m.

Chicago at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

Friday's results

Cleveland 95 Boston 90

Detroit 105 Orlando 90

Milwaukee 110 Philadelphia 102

Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers

Monday's results

Atlanta 104 Minnesota 96

Brooklyn 88 New York 85

Chicago 95 L.A. Lakers 83

Golden State 106 L.A. Clippers 99

Houston 100 Charlotte 94

Indiana 82 Memphis 81

New Orleans 114 Sacramento 105

New Antonio 90 Philadelphia 85

Washington 98 Portland 95

Wednesday's games — All Times Eastern

Atlanta at Charlotte, 7 p.m.

Toronto at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

Brooklyn at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Denver at Houston, 8 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Memphis, 8 p.m.

Detroit at Chicago, 8 p.m.

New Orleans at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.

Indiana at Portland, 10 p.m.

Phoenix at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

Oklahoma City at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL DIVISION

GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Chicago	2	2	0	11	6	4
St. Louis	2	2	0	10	3	4
Columbus	2	1	1	6	6	3
Nashville	2	0	2	5	7	2
Detroit	3	1	2	0	5	11

NORTHWEST DIVISION

GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Minnesota	2	2	0	5	2	4
Edmonton	1	1	0	0	3	2
Vancouver	2	0	1	5	10	1
Colorado	1	0	1	0	2	4
Calgary	2	0	2	0	5	9

PACIFIC DIVISION

GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Anaheim	2	2	0	12	7	4
Dallas	3	2	1	0	6	5
San Jose	1	1	0	0	4	1
Los Angeles	1	0	1	0	2	5
Phoenix	2	0	2	0	7	10

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TENNIS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

At Melbourne, Australia

Men's Singles — Quarter-finals

Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Tomas Berdych (5), Czech Rep., 6-1, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

David Ferrer (4), Spain, def. Nicolas Almagro (10), Spain, 4-6, 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (2), 6-2.

Women's Singles — Quarter-finals

Maria Sharapova (2), Russia, def. Ekaterina Makarova (19), Russia, 6-2, 6-2.

Li Na (6), China, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (4), Poland, 7-5, 6-3.

Junior Boy's Singles — Second Round

Hugo Di Feo (16), Montreal, def. Petros Chrysostomos, Cyprus, 7-6, 7-6 (2), 6-2.

Doubles — Second Round

Jay Andrijic and Bradley Mousley, Australia, def. Hugo Di Feo and Brayden Schnur (5), Montreal, 6-3, 6-2.

Junior Girl's Doubles — Second Round

Ana Konjuh, Croatia, and Carol Zhao (1), Richmond Hill, Ont., def. Beatriz Haddad Maia, Brazil, and Giulia Paireone, Italy, 6-3, 6-1.

Antonia Lottner, Germany, and Erin Routliffe (2), Caledon, Ont., def. Harriet Dart, Britain, and Hsu Ching-wen, Taiwan, 6-3, 6-2.

Tuesday's results

Cleveland 95 Boston 90

Detroit 105 Orlando 90

Milwaukee 110 Philadelphia 102

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The 2013 Nissan Sentra



By comparison



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2 Hyundai Elantra
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Fuel economy

What the CVT does best is assist on the fuel-economy front. Thus equipped, the Sentra's rating of 6.6 litres per 100 kilometres in the city and 4.9 on the highway beats out the previous 7.6/5.7 numbers. A late-arriving "FE+" option will slightly up the highway ante.



The engine is a 1.8-litre, 130 hp

2013 Nissan Sentra

- **Type.** Four-door, front-wheel-drive compact sedan
- **Engine (hp).** 1.8-litre DOHC I4 (130)
- **Transmission.** Six-speed manual; continuously variable
- **Base price (incl. destination).** \$16,400

Engine

Another big plus for the Sentra is that it's close to 70 kilograms lighter than before. That's particularly good news since the standard 1.8-litre four-cylinder engine makes 10 less horsepower and generates 19 pound-feet less torque than the 2.0-litre four-cylinder it replaces.

Style

From the shape of its grille and the curve of the front fenders, to the roofline that tucks smoothly into a truncated rear deck, the compact Sentra appears as a modestly scaled-down Altima

Review. Nissan's baby Altima is all grown up and the family resemblance is uncanny

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If you measure style by the size of your ride and performance by how far it can go on a tank of gas, the 2013 Sentra should positively blow you away.

To misquote Honest Abe Lincoln, you likely can fool most of the people most of the time with Nissan's new Sentra

sedan. Whether conducting a walk-around examination or admiring the view from inside, this car gives off a too-big-for-its-br britches appearance. Compared to the outgoing model, it's only slightly longer overall and with more space between the front and rear wheels, while surprisingly being a bit narrower. The illusion of more generous proportions is partially due to a 1.5-centimetre overall height reduction. The reshaped body means 15 per cent more trunk space, which is now only slightly smaller than the Altima in that department.

More good news abounds with the Sentra's interior layout that's plenty attractive, especially the straightforward

and intuitive dashboard/control panel. There's zero sense that you're riding in a cramped, uncomfortable small car. Rear-seat passengers will also appreciate the generous leg and headroom.

The new Sentra is an overall positive blend of five-passenger ride comfort and quietness, balanced with go-where-it's-pointed handling competency. These are all traits that any decent commuter/grocery-getter sedan should possess. Add to that a successful attempt to push fuel economy levels to greater heights and you have a better-than-average urban compact that won't cramp your style, or put a crimp in your wallet.



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Exotic exhaust sounds

This is a radically wild, crazy and totally off-the-wall concept. And we absolutely love it. A company called iXoost that's based in Modena, Italy (home of Ferrari, by the way) creates these amazing Apple iPod-docking sound systems, custom made from the exhaust manifolds that were once used on vintage V8 Formula One racing engines, plus a 2002 Ford Cosworth V10 and Maserati V12. Each audio setup can be custom-designed by the purchaser as to which anodized colour combinations are to be used for the various components, including the speaker outlets, docking-station hardware and control button. Prices start at €5,000 (\$6,500) from ixoost.it.



Model car art

If you were (or possibly still are) one of those kids who used to be totally and completely hooked on assembling model cars, then Jellio has just the item for you. The company's Drive In wall art draws inspiration from the Revell-brand model kits from the 1950s and '60s. The sculpture resembles the various chrome-coated plastic parts that were attached to what's called a sprue. You'll get a major kick out of identifying the various attachments, including wheel covers, bumpers, grille, fan blade, steering wheel and various engine parts. The Drive In wall art is 1.1 x 1.1 metres, is made from Polyurethane resin and is painted in metallic silver. You can order one of these limited-edition eye-catchers for \$2,500 US from jellio.com.



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Mug shot

Most of us keep at least one travel mug handy for that much-needed shot of java on the way to work or while on a longer trip. The Hot Rod Heated Travel Mug features a modern-day barista-style espresso handle, but in addition comes with a classic-car gauge that shows the temperature of your beverage. The eight-ounce-capacity mug features a non-slide rubber base and plugs into your vehicle's 12-volt outlet with the supplied plug. It also comes with a power indicator so you know when it's working. Purchase the Hot Rod Heated Travel Mug for \$25 US from thinkgeek.com, summitracing.com or other auto-related websites.



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Safety recall take you by surprise? Fix it, but don't fret over it

Driving Force. Odds are there's nothing or very little wrong with your vehicle, but have it checked nonetheless

JIL MCINTOSH
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It's the letter no one wants: the notice that your car has a safety recall. But while you should take it in for repair, there's really no need to worry. It's possible, and even very likely, that your vehicle is OK.

"Under the Motor Vehicle Safety Act, a company must issue a notice of safety defect, or safety recall notice, when it becomes aware of a defect in the design, construction or functioning of a vehicle that affects or is likely to affect the safety of any person," says Kelly James, media relations advisor for Transport Canada, which collects recall information and makes it available on its website (gc.tc.ca).

Quoted

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Kelly James, media relations advisor for Transport Canada

Recalls are issued when an automaker discovers something that could potentially fail and pose a safety hazard, such as faulty parts, design flaws or assembly errors. The auto manufacturer sends information to its dealers on how to repair the problem, along with any necessary parts.

It also mails notices to registered owners of the affected vehicles, informing

them of the problem and outlining how to get it repaired. Any authorized dealer for your vehicle must perform the recall at no charge, although if the recall is extensive and parts are required, you may have to wait until enough replacement parts are produced and shipped out.

Cars can also be recalled if something doesn't comply with federal motor vehicle standards, which might be as minor as a warning label that isn't in both English and French. The automaker is required to include all vehicles that have the recalled part or design, even if the owner hasn't experienced any problems with it. The part may never fail on your car, but the company must replace it as a precaution.

Quite often, the problem will apply only to a particular batch of parts, or it will be discovered and fixed during production, and so only a specific number of cars will be affected.

Your friend may own the same year and model as

Advice

- **Take note.** If you buy a used car, or if you move, phone the manufacturer and have your address registered to it, so any applicable recalls can be mailed to you. The automaker doesn't receive your details when you change the ownership at the licensing office.

- **Know the difference.** A technical service bulletin (TSB) is not the same as a recall. TSBs describe symptoms and what is possibly causing them.

your vehicle, but only one might be recalled.

To find out if a recall affects your vehicle, call the manufacturer or dealership. You'll need your 17-digit vehicle information number (VIN), which is on your ownership, or on the driver's side of the dash visible through the windshield.



Mistakes are rare, but they can happen on the factory floor. HANDOUT

Tech that! 2013 brings new gadgets



AUTO PILOT
Mike Goetz
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Last week's auto show in Detroit produced lots of eye candy, but also revealed several crazy new technologies.

Which is obviously the way it should be. Who wants an auto show to reheat the technological equivalent of last night's lasagna?

Here then are two Detroit tech debuts, which smelled and looked quite tasty...

Direct Adaptive Steering

Now there are lots of "switchable" steering systems out there — you know, the ones where you can select various modes of sportiness. Those systems typically recalibrate steering ratios, and in some cases, also engine and transmission settings. But the optional Direct Adaptive Steering system on the newly launched Infiniti Q50 is the world's first to also adjust steering "effort." It can do this because the steering wheel and steering column are not actually physically making the adjustments on the steering rack. Electric motors are doing it, according to sensors in the



Hyundai's Infiniti Q50 (above) has optional Direct Adaptive Steering while their HCD-14 comes with eye tracking and hand-gesture recognition. CONTRIBUTED

steering wheel — "Drive by wire" so to speak.

Each of the four adjustable settings will ask the steering rack motors to give the driver varying degrees of steering effort, like easy for highway cruising and nice and firm for twisty bits.

And steering wheel inputs can be translated to the wheels faster than ever — virtually at the speed of electricity. Infiniti Canada's Tim Franklin was one of 30 or so lucky company execs that had a chance to sample the system at Infiniti's proving grounds in

Japan. "It changes the whole character of the car, not just the throttle and steering," Franklin told us in Detroit. The other huge advantage, according to Franklin, is that road harshness is not transmitted up through the steering column to the steering wheel, because, well,

there is no connection there: "It takes out the trash noises and emphasizes the feedback you want."

Eye Tracking and Hand-Gesture Recognition

Deep within the computerized brain of Hyundai's HCD-14,

a concept of a future Genesis model, is the intelligence to do "eye tracking and 3D hand gesture recognition." This is how Hyundai figures we can get rid of all the distracting clusters of buttons and knobs on the instrument panels and consuls of today's vehicles — basically Hyundai's vision for the whole human-to-machine interface. Here's how it works: Via a heads-up display in the windshield, the system shows the driver all the various options in the world of navigation, infotainment, HVAC, Smartphone connectivity, etc. To make your selection you keep your eye on what you want, and then confirm by a thumb button on the steering wheel and/or by making a gesture with your hand. If you selected stereo for instance, you can make it go louder simply by making another hand gesture in space. You don't need to touch anything. I'm not sure if the system will distinguish between these interface-related hand gestures and the ones motorists have traditionally been using to communicate their displeasure with other motorists. We can only assume engineers are working on it.

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Don't get annoyed if you have to amend your plans at the last moment today. If anything the changes will work in your favor. You of all people should know that few things stay the same for long.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Adopt a confident attitude today and you will accomplish great things. Go your own way and do your own thing and the whole world will look at you if you are someone special – which, of course, you are.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Your conclusions about other people's motives could be a bit off target over the next 24 hours, so think before you speak. If you don't know all the facts it might be wise to keep your opinions to yourself.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

According to the planets your rivals are waiting for a chance to make you look bad but they will only succeed if you say or do something foolish. Be inscrutable: don't let anyone know what is going on inside your head.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Something needs to be brought into the open where it can be discussed. If you are wise you will initiate the discussion yourself because that will allow you to set the terms of debate – and that means you'll win.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You must stop chopping and changing. The worst thing that can happen today is that you change your mind and your goals yet again. Identify your number one priority and focus on it to the exclusion of everything else.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Keep your emotions in check and try not to take anything too seriously. Today's Mercury-Jupiter link will make it easy for you to see what is important and what is not, and act – or not act – accordingly.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

If you want other people to back what you are doing you will have to convince them that the results will be as good for them as they are for you. It would help, of course, if it's the truth.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

If you sit back and wait for good things to come your way you will be disappointed, but if you go out and make things happen you will be amazed how easily you get ahead. The choice is (as ever) yours.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You cannot please everyone but you can please yourself – and you SHOULD please yourself. Whatever else you do over the next 24 hours make sure it makes you feel good. If others feel good too that's a bonus.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Mercury in your sign will help you get straight to the point today and that is essential as there are important tasks to be completed. It's not enough just to see clearly – you need to communicate clearly too.

♓ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

You seem a bit fearful at the moment, scared you will either say too much or too little. The answer, of course, is to say what you feel and not care two hoots what other people might think about it. Toughen up.

SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

1. "___ Good Men" (1992)
5. Poetry event
9. "The Marilyn ___ Show"
14. Ms. Loughlin
15. Care for
16. ___ Janeiro
17. Quebec City landmark, Le Chateau ___
19. Insects sci.
20. Mavericks, on scoreboards
21. ___ be my pleasure."
23. Hosp. professionals
24. Blackcomb (BC ski resort)
29. Concur
31. Move, in real estate lingo
32. '80s series, "Road to ___"
34. Then: French
36. Party platter item: 2 wds.
39. Polite abbr. in texting
40. Hardwood choice
42. Toy-made dessert, ___-Cone
43. '___ for Newfoundland
45. Prime Minister Harper's
48. ___ heels
50. Writer, Henry David ___
52. "Is it just ___..."
53. Bar seat
55. Lorne Michaels' protégés through the yrs: 2 wds.
57. Swiss river, variably
58. Alphabetic trio
60. Cloth
61. Sniff
63. Tries out for "American Idol"
69. Mr. Mandel
70. Famous vamp.
71. Night: French
72. Lets up
73. Jedi foe
74. 'Kitchen' add-on

Down

1. Alien sitcom
2. Pro
3. 'Ranch' suffix
4. Canada's City of Roses
5. Designer Ms. McCartney
6. "Steal My Sunshine" group
7. Actress Ms. Ortiz

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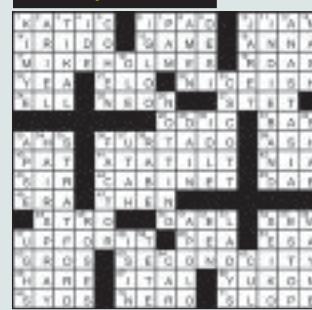
8. Gladiator's 1601
9. Gold Rush symbol in the Yukon, a National Historic Site of Canada:

- . —
10. German article
11. Montreal's ___-Dame Basilica
12. '80s hit: "What Have ___ to Deserve This?"
13. Tiny terms
18. Ink-on-skin pic
22. Jean-___ (Montreal metro station)
24. Sandwich sort
25. AC/DC's "___ Bells"

26. "___ my keys!"
27. Conjure upper
28. CBC's "The ___ James Show"
30. "Totally awesome."
33. Car company
35. Dramatist of ancient Greece
37. "ER" actress Laura
38. Ornamental edging of loops
41. '60s tune: "You Really Got ___ on Me"
44. Stock units [abbr.]
46. WWII zone
47. Super ___ (Old video game console by Nintendo, commonly)

49. John Lennon anthem
51. Metallica drummer Lars
53. South Pacific island group
54. "Not Ready To Go" by The
56. Meower
57. Tennis great Arthur
59. Actor George
62. ___ detector test
64. William Tell's canton
65. Info, for short
66. Away
67. Puny parasite
68. Jeanne d'Arc, e.g.

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

9	4	3	2	7	8	5	6	1
5	8	1	3	4	6	7	2	9
6	7	2	5	9	1	4	8	3
8	6	4	9	3	2	1	7	5
3	9	5	8	1	7	2	4	6
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7	5	6	1	2	3	8	9	4
4	3	9	7	8	5	6	1	2

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Weather

TODAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



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MIN: -29°



MAX: -22°

MIN: -29°



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